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WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1899.

No. 18.

## A LITTLE SCARE.

In consequence of last season's visitation the eyes of the whole country are upon our State, watching for the first alarm of yellow fever, while everybody in the State is suspended between the hope that the precautions taken to prevent a recurrence of the epidemic will prove effectual, and the fear that it may reappear somewhere. In this condition of the public mind a great responsibility rests upon the State Board of Health and upon all local officers, and they should do everything possible both to prevent any spread of the disease if it should appear and to quiet unnecessary alarms. On the other hand an equal obligation rests upon all the people. We are not a lot of children, to be justified in scattering at the first alarm and have to be whipped into place again for our own safety. We have all sense enough, if we will use it, to know that the thing to do is to quietly keep our places and uphold the officers entrusted with leadership in the business. We should occupy none of their time to keep us in order while they are engaged in protecting us against danger. Cheerful obedience to all regulations, with faith that any that may at first seem to bear too hardly will on proper presentation of the case be made right as soon as possible, will relieve the officers of much anxiety and care, and leave them proportionately free to do the best they can for us.

The case of supposed yellow fever at Sanford has given occasion for the exercise of all these qualities, and we are glad to say that, in spite of a few small breaks, both officers and people seem to have kept in the traces and behaved very well. There is grave reason to doubt whether the case was yellow fever at all, but we think Dr. Daniels could hardly have been certain that it was not, and he was therefore bound to act as if certain that it was. Had the suspicion got abroad that it was yellow fever, and he failed to act as he did, the result might have

been far worse for Sanford and all other places than now, for probably local quarantines would have been established all around, which have now been averted by confidence in the sufficiency of the precautions taken. That confidence of the rest of the State is worth more to the suspected town, as well as the State at large than any gain that could come from being left free of restraint in any case of doubt while still under the suspicion of all our neighbors. Confidence in the State at large, and in the rest of the country is one of the main objects of establishing the board of health, and that object cannot be attained except through the certainty that even the most doubtful cases will be treated with promptness and the utmost precaution to prevent contagion.

For the benefit of our readers at a distance we will state the facts, so far as we know them, of the case at Sanford. The woman was dead before any suspicions of yellow fever were aroused. Then the appearance of some dark matter in her vomit just before death led to suspicion, and Dr. Daniels, chairman of the State board of health, was summoned. An autopsy revealed a black fluid in the stomach, and appearances which led him to pronounce the case yellow fever. Accordingly he gave orders to prevent the possibility of the infection being carried to other places. It is well known, however, that the symptoms and post mortem appearances of yellow fever, aside from its infectious character, are so closely approached by other forms of disease, which are accompanied by hemorrhage of the digestive organs, that even expert physicians may be misled, and probably nothing short of the microscopic identification of characteristic germs or parasites, if such exist, will ever afford a certain diagnosis of sporadic cases or the milder phases of possible infection by epidemic. Hence there is always more or less diversity of opinion in such cases, and many reputable physicians have not hesitated to

say that the present case was not yellow fever at all. Meanwhile there was nothing to do but take the precautions proper in a case of yellow fever and await the result. The period of probation has now nearly passed, and no other cases have appeared, and in a few days all will be going again as freely as before. There has been no occasion for a great scare, and there has been none.

## Grape Prospects.

Messrs. Haynes, Young and Bailey, of the famous Niagara Villa Vineyard, a short distance from Orlando, say that their grape vines are loaded with blooms, and that the bunches are fully twice as large as they were last year. If no trouble happens they will ship several thousand pounds of Niagara white grapes this summer. One thing that seems to encourage them more than anything else is the fact that the old vines are doing so much better this year than ever before. This is an indication that the fears which were expressed that the Niagara would soon play out in this climate were ungrounded, and that it will improve from year to year.—*Florida Dispatch.*

While attending the meeting of the Florida Horticultural Society, in Orlando, this week, we were much interested in visiting these vineyards. The owners were extremely courteous and obliging in showing their work, and it is one of which they may well be proud. Any one who is interested in seeing an orderly and business-like system of production, and especially one who is interested in the progress of fruit-growing in Florida, could not spend a pleasanter or more profitable hour than in following them over their grounds, and if all who visit them will emulate their example the result must be a vast improvement in the methods of our fruit growers. Their vines are reduced by systematic cultivation and training to almost the uniformity and efficiency of so many rows of machines for making grapes out of the materials furnished, with the least possible waste.



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**WINTER PARK, MAY 3, 1889.****JOTTINGS.**

We need rain badly.

Mr. A. M. Sawdey and family have gone North for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyeth will leave with Mrs. Paul for a visit in the North.

There is quite a good deal of talk about getting up a Masonic lodge here.

Mr. J. W. Dieffenderfer's family have left him for Virginia to spend the summer.

All are glad to see Dr. Henkel around again after quite a severe attack of dysentery.

Rev. and Mrs. Munson will occupy the Misses Sparrell's house during their absence.

Contractor Peirce is hard at work on Mrs. Wells' beautiful cottage, on Lake Maitland.

Mr. Gore of the *Reporter*, and wife spent Thursday, the 2nd, with their old time friends, Col. and Mrs. Roe.

Mr. Stubblefield is pushing the O. & W. P. depot to completion, and Superintendent Abbott is doing likewise with the switches and yards in Osceola.

The burning of Mr. Switzer's hammock the past week looked very serious for a while. We are sorry that some of the large beautiful trees in it got scorched.

Mr. Batchelor and Miss DeHaven gave a sort of farewell supper to the "Happy Hour" whist club on the 29th. It was a very pleasant affair and the supper was A 1.

Ever so many who left at the time of the Sanford scare have written

back that they wish they had stayed a while longer as they got into very disagreeable weather at the North.

Show us any other country where they can raise and have strawberries from January 10th until May 15th to June 1st. We don't know of another State where it can be done, do you?

We want to say for Messrs. Pierce and Matthews that after looking the Orlando market over carefully a day or so ago, we came back to find better meat and larger variety in their stock than Orlando afforded. Fact!

The family of A. H. Paul, accompanied by Miss Hungerford, Mrs. Paul's sister, leave on Friday night for the North to be gone until "snow flies." Mr. Paul has our heartfelt sympathy in his bachelorhood.

The O. & W. P. gave an excursion to the Horticultural society on the 3rd, at 10 cents for the round trip from Orlando to Lakemont Park. It was nicely patronized and everybody was delighted with the lovely scenery of the route.

Judge Mizell's man "Joe" had the pleasure of killing a tremendous wild cat on the night of the 29th, but not until after it had devoured from off the Judge's porch a succulent beef steak that he had calculated on having for breakfast. Here's our sympathy for the Judge in his loss, and our congratulations to Joe on his prowess.

Well, it really does seem nice to get up close to a luscious grape fruit, excuse us; pomelo, and extract the delicious contents of its juicy cells now that the weather is warm and oranges are gone. We think them the coming fruit of Florida and would rather be possessor of five acres of pomelos than of a like amount of anything that grows in this part of the State.

The Union Centennial exercises at the Congregational church were very pleasant and entertaining. They were presided over by Rev. Dr. Hooker, who opened with the Lord's prayer, after an anthem by the choir. The President's proclamation was read by Professor Barrows followed by the reading of scripture by Professor Austin. Prayer, by Professor Ford; hymn, read by Professor Robinson, followed by a most instructive and

patriotic discourse by Rector Brown, of All Saints' Church. A hymn was then sung followed by the reading of extracts from the farewell address of Geo. Washington by Charles J. Ladd of the Methodist Church. An interesting ten minute discourse by Rev. Mr. Munson of Rollins College, and the closing prayer by Rev. Mr. Missildine, finished a very entertaining program.

We got just a little bit the coolest request the other day that we have had for some time, when a young man requested permission to catch some mocking birds that had nested on some property we have charge of. We tried to sit down on the young man *heavy* and to convey to his mind the fact that we should sacrifice almost anything on the place more willingly than we would those same birds. A stranger coming here expects to see birds and alligators in plenty and is disappointed if he does not. This fact alone, which affects our pocket books directly, should stay the hands of hunters; then added to this is the fact that they, more especially the birds, furnish us charming company and delightful melody and it does seem to us almost a crime to either kill or trap them. We have been enjoying a little covey of quails that came to a certain place to feed nearly every morning, but they have been butchered all but one poor old fellow who has had his leg hurt by a shot and who still hops mournfully around after a few crumbs. We suppose that quails come in the category of legitimate game, but how much better it would be to leave them entirely alone for two or three years and then we would have some worth going after. We have no objections to being considered cranky on this subject and shall do all in our feeble power to protect our feathered friends as well as the alligators which, while they do no harm, are a great attraction to our winter visitors and will add more to each of our pocket books as an attraction than can possibly be gotten out of them in any other way.

**Cassava.**

You can say for cassava that as feed for stock it yields more than sweet potatoes; that horses and all stock like it; that it may be left in the



ground from year to year and dug as wanted. I think I can see that when the roots are removed and stumps only left, the subsequent growth is shorter and very thick roots. I have a patch now in its third year. It is admirable for batter cakes, puddings, pies, may be used with either flour or meal for the former two. I don't doubt it might enter into the composition of cake and bread. For all these purposes it is incomparably better than arrow-root; it is far easier to prepare as it has absolutely no fibre when the bark is removed, which is easily done. It is a mass of the whitest and most delicate starch, reduced by grating in the easiest possible way. In short, cassava is so productive, will grow on any land whether rich or poor, dry or wet, and is susceptible of so many uses, that when the hand of the experimenter is laid upon it its great value is certain to appear.—*D. R. Pilsbry, in Sanford Mascotte.*

#### Where Pampas Plumes Grow.

Pampas grass, bearing plumes, are in southern California cultivated as a profitable industry, producing large bunches of silvery plume, which always find a ready market. Santa Barbara has until lately been the only producer of this ornamental grass, but now nursery men of other sections have given their attention to the cultivation of the Pampas for export. The plumes are harvested in September by carefully cutting the stalks, and are then sun dried for several days, when they are ready for shipping. Aside from gathering the plumes there is little expense attached to this industry, and an acre of land will produce \$250 worth. A constant market is found for these, dyed with various hues, in the Eastern States and Europe.—*American (Cal.) Paradise.*

Recent surveys have developed the fact that the lands south of the Caloosahatchie river are not all in the Everglades, but that thousands upon thousands of acres of the best lands of Florida, high and dry, are situated in what have formerly been termed the low lands.—*Charlotte Harbor Beacon.*

The Lakeland Cracker says that the largest tobacco factory in the State has been organized in New York and purchased from the South Florida R. R. Co. 14,000 acres of land in Polk county for the cultivation of fine grades of tobacco.

#### Trains from Winter Park.

SOUTH FLORIDA RAILROAD.

NORTHWARD.—6:55 a. m., accommodation (connects at Sanford with J. T. & K. W. for Jacksonville and St. Augustine, via Palatka); 3:10 p. m., accommodation (connects at Sanford with S. & L. E. for Tavares); 11:53 p. m., express (sleeping car to Jersey City without change).

SOUTHWARD.—10:25 a. m., accommodation (to Kissimmee); 5:00 p. m., accommodation (to Kissimmee); 5:57 p. m., express (connects at Lakeland with F. S. for Punta Gorda, and at Tampa Monday and Thursday for Key West and Havana).

ORLANDO AND WINTER PARK RAILWAY.

LEAVE WINTER PARK.—7:10, 8:35, 10:00 a. m.; 3:00, 4:15, 7:20 (Saturdays only) p. m.

LEAVE ORLANDO.—7:50, 9:15, 11:35 a. m.; 3:30, 5:20, 10:20 (Saturdays only) p. m.

#### Church Services.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 4:00 p. m. — Rev. B. F. Brown, Rector.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, White's Hall. Sunday services.—Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Children's class at 3 p. m. Prayer meeting (occasionally preaching) at 7 p. m.

Tuesday evening. Preaching at 7:30 p. m.

Friday evening. Class meeting at residence of R. R. Thayer.

Rev. P. J. Reeves, Pastor.

#### Notice.

By order of the Town Council of Winter Park the tax books will be closed on May 15th, 1889, and all property on which the town taxes remain unpaid will be advertised for sale according to law.

S. P. BUTLER, Collector.

#### Notice.

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